

REMARKS

This Amendment responds to the Office Action of September 18, 2008. Claims 91-124 and 130-136, are pending in this application. Claims 1-90 have been previously canceled. Claims 125-129 are currently cancelled. Claims 91, 99, and 130, and 133-136 are independent. Claims 91-124 and 130-136 are currently amended. The amendments find support throughout the specification.

In the Office Action, Claims 91-136 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 101. Claims 91-92 and 97 and 134-136 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Minton (U.S. Patent No. 6,014,643), Fraser (U.S. Patent No. 5,904,974), and Beaudin (U.S. Patent No. 5,050,933), in view of Silverman et al. (U.S. Patent No. 5,136,501). Claims 93-96 and 98 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Minton, Fraser, Beuadin et al., and Silverman et al., in further view of Dinwoodie (U.S. Patent No. 6,415,269). Claims 99-119, 121-130 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Minton and Fraser, in further view of Beuadin et al. Claims 120 and 131-133 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Minton, Fraser, Beaudin, et al., Silverman et al., and Dinwoodie et al., in further view of Kane (U.S. Patent No. 6,317,728).

Applicants thank the Examiner and Supervisory Examiner Kalinowski for conducting telephonic interviews with Applicant on February 18, 2009. During the

interview, Applicants' representatives discussed proposed amendments to the claims to overcome the Section 101 rejections and put the application in a condition for allowance.

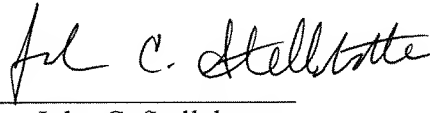
The present claims are patentably distinguishable over the prior art of record for the same reasons discussed during previous telephonic interviews, and which are set forth in greater detail in Applicants' responses to previous office actions, including, for example Applicants' Response, dated March 10, 2006. We will not burden the Examiner by repeating those remarks again here.

CONCLUSION

In light of the foregoing remarks, Applicants respectfully submit that Claims 91-124 and 130-136 are patentably distinct over the prior art of record, that the application is in proper form for allowance of all claims, and earnestly solicit a notice to that effect.

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